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Men's Tennis defeats rival Georgia State 4-3 in a thriller
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STATESBORO, Ga. – The Georgia Southern men's tennis team defeated rival Georgia State 4-3 in what was one of the most emotion packed matches of the spring for the Eagles. The Blue and White were able to win two third sets to defeat the Panthers inside the friendly confines of Wallis Tennis Center.

The overcast afternoon began with the Panthers winning the first doubles match 6-2 on court three. The Blue and White continued to battle, with [Artemie Amari](#) and [Stefano Di Aloy](#) winning on court two 6-4. [Diego Finkelstein](#) and [Eddie Landin](#) would help the Eagles cause giving the Eagles a 1-0 lead heading to singles play.

In singles play the Panthers would jump up on some points early winning on courts three and six to push the scoring to 2-1. [Pascal Wagemaker](#) ended the scoring drought winning 7-5, 6-2 in straight sets to level the scoring at 2-2. The Panthers would regain the lead and threaten with a victory on court two and pushed courts one and four to third sets.

[Stefano Di Aloy](#) won his first set 6-4 and battled back in the second set, but dropped the second set 6-4. In the third set it was all Toto winning 6-4 to bring the scoring to even at three all. [Artemie Amari](#) won a huge first set 7-5 and was defeated in the second set 6-3. In the final set of the evening Artemie channeled his inner 2017 Sun Belt Conference clincher, defeating his opponent 7-5 to give the Eagles their first win over the Panthers in 15 matches. They now lead the series 21-18 and have broken a 15 match losing streak against their bitter instate rivals.

SINGLES RESULTS

Di Aloy def. Andankhou (GSU) 6-4, 4-6, 6-4
Coulaud (GSU) def. Landin 6-3, 6-4
Hussey (GSU) def. Finkelstein 6-1, 6-2
Amari def. Showeo (GSU) 7-5, 3-6, 7-5
Wagemaker def. Duarte (GSU) 7-5, 6-2
MacFarlane (GSU) def. McCullough 6-1, 6-2

DOUBLES RESULTS

Landin/Finkelstein def. Hussey/MacFarlane (GSU) 6-4
Amari/Di Aloy def. Coulaud/Duyah (GSU) 6-4
Duarte>Showers (GSU) def. McCullough/Suarez 6-2

NEXT UP

The Eagles will host Appalachian State on Saturday as part of two matches for both tennis programs. The Eagles men's and women's teams have five total matches this weekend.

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